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SUBJECT: CODEL MANSFIELD: ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS (II OF IV)

REF: A. STATE 179925 B. STATE 179990

1. ROYAL DIWAN HAS MADE ALL ARRANGEMENTS FOR ACCOMMODATIONS AND TRANSPORTATION AND WE ARE WORKING WITH THEM ON PROGRAM. SEPTEL FOLLOWS ON TENTATIVE SCHEDULE WHICH WILL PROBABLY TAKE PLACE IN JIDDA.

2. MR. SCHWARTZ IS REQUESTED TO HAVE ALL PASSPORTS OF PARTY AND CREW READY UPON ARRIVAL TO BE GIVEN TO PASSPORT AND LUGGAGE CONTROL OFFICER FSO ROSS BENSON.

3. SENATOR AND MRS. MANSFIELD AND PARTY OF FIVE WILL BE ACCOMMODATED AT KANDARA PALACE HOTEL LOCATED THREE MINUTES' DRIVE FROM AIRPORT. ALL ROOMS AIR CONDITIONED.

4. MR. SCHWARTZ IS REQUESTED TO HAVE ALL BAGGAGE PROPERLY TAGGED WITH ROOM NUMBERS SHOWN. ROOM ASSIGNMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED SEPTEL AUGUST 4. BAGGAGE WILL BE TRANSPORTED TO HOTEL IN SEPARATE VEHICLE UNDER CONTROL OF MR. BENSON.

5. ANY MEALS TAKEN AT HOTEL OR BEVERAGES CONSUMED MAY BE SIGNED FOR BY GUESTS AND WILL BE ON ACCOUNT OF HOST GOVERNMENT.

6. SAFE BOTTLED WATER WILL BE AVAILABLE IN ROOMS. TAP
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WATER NOT RPT NOT POTABLE.

7. ELECTRIC CURRENT IS 110 VOLTS 60HZ.

8. SPECIAL CLOTHING REQUIREMENTS: VERY SHORT, SLEEVELESS DRESSES FOR LADIES ARE REGARDED BY SAUDIS AS IMMODEST. PANTS SUITS FROWNED UPON BUT ACCEPTED. SUITS. KNEE-LENGTH DRESSES, AND SHORT SLEEVES O.K.

9. WEATHER FORECAST: CLEAR SKIES WITH MID-DAY TEMPERATURE IN JIDDA HOVERING AROUND 100 DEGREES (SHADE) WITH 80 PERCENT HUMIDITY. IF PARTY TRAVELS TO TAIF, TEMPERATURE THERE ABOUT 15 DEGREES COOLER WITH LOW HUMIDITY.

10. SAUDI ARABIA STRICTLY ENFORCES PROHIBITION AGAINST IMPORTATION AND USE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES. ALL TRAVELERS SHOULD BE INFORMED THAT NO RPT NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ARE TO BE TAKEN OFF AIRCRAFT.

1. EMBASSY NURSE WILL BE ON STAND-BY STATUS DURING CODEL VISIT.

12. TELEPHONE NUMBER OF CONTROL OFFICER: ADMINISTRATIVE COUNSELOR SWEDENBURG: 534110, 54110, OR 52188 (FOR BOTH OFFICE AND HOME).

13. SPECIAL INFORMATION FOR CREW: CONTROL OFFICER IS SSGT HARRY E. NOEL, JR., OFFICE OF DEFENSE ATTACHE. CREW WILL BE STAYING AT AL-ATTAS OASIS HOTEL. ROYAL DIWAN MAKING 14 SINGLE ROOMS AVAILABLE. CREW MAY SIGN FOR MEALS AND BEVERAGES ON DIWAN ACCOUNT. SEDAN WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR USE OF AIRCRAFT COMMANDER COL. SHIELDS DURING ENTIRE STAY. BUS WILL PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION FOR OTHER CREW MEMBERS BETWEEN AIRPORT AND HOTEL. SGT HOEL CAN ARRANGE OTHER TRANSPORTATION AS REQUIRED.
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